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1. VANCOUVER SUN APRIL 26 CARRIES EDITORIAL PAGE ARTICLE  
HEADED "CARTER S UNPLEASANT TRUTH" UNDER BYLINE OF BRUCH  
HUTCHISON, EDITORIAL DIRECTOR. HUTCHISON SAYS CARTER  
STATES VERY SIMPLE PROPOSITION: "HE TELLS HIS PEOPLE, AND  
THE CANADIAN PEOPLE ALSO WITHOUT MENTIONING THEM BY NAME,  
THAT NORTH AMERICA MUST CHANGE ITS PRODIGAL HABITS OR SOON  
RUN SHORT OF ENERGY, THE BLOOD STREAM OF ITS ECONOMIC LIFE,  
AND SUFFER A FINAL CATASTROPHE." THE WRITER ADDS, "ON THIS  
ISSUE HE HAS STAKED HIS PRESIDENCY."  
HUTCHISON COMMENTS THAT THIS TEST OF CONTEMPORARY LEADERSHIP  
DIFFERS FROM THAT OF EARLIER PRESIDENTS BECAUSE PRESENT CRISIS,  
UNLIKE CRISES OF WAR, IS NOT SUDDEN, THRILLING AND DRAMATIC.  
HE CONCLUDES THAT, "THE PRESIDENT IS GAMBLING ON THE GOOD SENSE  
OF THE PEOPLE AS HE CARRIES HIS ARGUMENT TO THEM. IT IS A BIG  
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GAMBLE NOT BECAUSE HIS OWN CAREER IS AT STAKE, BUT BECAUSE IT  
INVOLVES EVERY HUMAN BEING IN AMERICA AND INDIRECTLY THE  
PEOPLES OF THE WHOLE WORLD. WHAT HE REALLY ASKS IS WHETHER  
THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS IS WISE, FLEXIBLE AND PATIENT ENOUGH  
TO SURVIVE A CHALLENGE NOT AS OBVIOUS OR EXCITING AS WAR  
BUT EQUALLY DESTRUCTIVE IN THE LONG RUN."

2. CLIP FOLLOWS BY MAIL.

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